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1. BY MOMORANDUM DATED 27 APRIL 1973, L. GEN KRIANGSAK SUPR. CMD. (FWD) INFORMED US OF FORMAL APPROVAL OF GKR REQUEST FOR ASSIGNMENT TO TWO FANK OFFICERS, SQDN. LEADER SANGWAR LOPEZ AND MAJ. HUM BUN HEM, AT USSAG.

2. MEMORANDUM FURTHER STATES, QUOTE: I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE SUPREME COMMANDER HAS APPROVED THE ASSIGNMENT OF AN RTA LIEUTENANT COLONEL TO JCRC AS LIAISON OFFICER AND AN RTAF OFFICER OF THE SAME RANK TO PERFORM LIAISON DUTIES AT USSAG. THESE PERSONNEL HAVE NOT YET BEEN SELECTED, BUT WILL BE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. IT IS REQUESTED THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR BILLETING AND MESSING FACILITIES FOR THESE TWO OFFICERS. FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT THE NAMES OF THE SIX VIETNAMESE NATIONALS ASSIGNED TO THE MEDIA DEVELOPEMTN TEAM OF JCRC BE PROVIDED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS. END QUOTE. CONFIDENTIAL

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3. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT UTILIZATION USSAG/ JCRC THAI LIAISON OFFICERS IN WHATEVER CAPACITY THEY CAN BEST SUPPORT RESPECTIVE MISSIONS AND ANTICIPATE POSITIVE PRACTICAL AND POLITICAL BENEFITS AS A RESULT OF THAI PARTICIPATION. KRIANGSAK TOLD POMIL COUNSELOR HE WOULD LIKE OFFICER TO " LEARN A JOB." E CONDUCTED BY SPECIAL TEAMS FROM SAIGON. END COMMENT.

PART V: MR 2

1. MR 2 WAS UNUSUALLY QUIET MAY 1, AT LEAST ACCORDING TO THE NHA TRANG REGIONAL BRIEFING, WITH TOTAL OF ONLY SIX ENEMY-INITIATED INCIDENTS REPORTED. FIVE OCCURRED IN NORTHERN BINH DINH AND THE OTHER IN TUY AN DISTRICT, PHU YEN. CASUALTIES: VC: TWENTY- ONE KIA; RVNAF: ONE KIA, SIX WIA. MOST OF THE VC LOSSES CAME IN NOON ATTACK MAY 1 ON ARVN COMPANY OUTPOST SITUATED ABOUT FIVE KMS SOUTH OF HOAI NHON DISTRICT CAPITAL AND SAME DISTANCE NORTH OF PHU CU PASS, BINH DINH. FIFTEEN ENEMY WERE KILLED IN THAT ENGAGEMENT.

2. KONTUM POLOFF REPORTS THAT ARVN TROOPS IN KONTUM REOCCUPIED MOST OF AN AREA NORTHWEST OF KONTUM CITY (APPARENTLY DAK ROCOT, SCENE OF CONSIDERABLE ACTIVITY SINCE APRIL 18), TAKING NINE WIA IN THE PROCESS. THIS INCIDENT WAS NOT BRIEFED IN NHA TRANG.

3. RVN NAVY REPORTS ONE OF ITS COASTGUARD CRAFT DETAINED A FISHING BOAT IN THE XON BONG ESTUARY NORTH OF NHA TRANG CITY. ACCORDING TO THE NAVY, ON BOARD WERE THREE MALE AND FOUR FEMALE COMMUNIST PURCHASING AGENTS, A NEW RICE MILL, TWO MILLION PIASTERS IN CASH, AND A QUANTITY OF WESTERN MEDICINE. CARGO AND AGENTS AGSDJAYJE8'.. SZRG RDGWGXLLBXEVDM# POLICE.

4. APRIL 30 KONTUM POLOFF ATTENDED MEETING HELD BY BRIG. GEN. CAM, CG ARVN 23 RD DIVISION, WITH HIS STAFF OFFICERS. CAM STATED THAT MAJ. GEM, TOAN, MR 2 COMMANDER, FULLY EXPECTS AN ENEMY CONFIDENTIAL

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OFFENSIVE IN MR 2 WITHIN COMING MONTHS. ALTHOUGH TIMING CANNOT BE KNOWN, BATTLEFIELDS ARE CERTAIN TO BE KONTUM, PLEIKU, AND BINH DINH. THEREFORE, IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN PREPARATIONS IN MOST PROBABLE AREAS OF ATTACK, TOAN HAS REDRAWN AO O
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